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ELYSEE AFRICAN ADVISOR

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1. UNDER SECRETARY NEWSOM MET WITH ELYSEE AFRICAN
ADVISOR RENE JOURNIAC AFTERNOON JULY 21 AT LATTER'S
REQUEST. JOURNIAC NOTED WITH PARTICULAR INTEREST
NEWSOM'S ACCOUNT OF HIS DISCUSSION OF AFRICAN MATTERS

WITH SAUDI OFFICIALS IN JIDDA. THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY
JOURNIAC IN THE BROAD-RANGING DISCUSSION WERE LARGELY
THOSE HE EXPOUNDED IN A JULY 18 MEETING WITH ASSISTANT
SECRETARY MOOSE (REFTEL). OTHER ITEMS OF POSSIBLE
INTEREST REPORTED HERE. (COMMENTS ON MAURITANIA/SAHARA
BY SEPTTEL.)

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2. ERITREA. JOURNIAC ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE GOF DOES
MAINTAIN "VERY DISCREET" CONTACT WITH THE VARIOUS
ERITREAN LIBERATION GROUPS. HE BELIEVES THAT THE
LARGEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE OF THESE, THE EPLF, IS IN
THE PROCESS OF GETTING THE UPPER HAND OVER THE OTHER
GROUPS AND WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF
ERITREA. THE ETHIOPIANS CANNOT BEAT THEM MILITARILY

WITHOUT SOVIET AND CUBAN HELP. SINCE THIS SEEMS UNLIKE-
LY, THERE WILL EVENTUALLY BE A POLITICAL SOLUTION IN
WHICH THE EPLF PLAYS A KEY POSITION. COMMUNIST PARTIES
IN BOTH ITALY AND FRANCE ARE NOW IN CONTACT WITH THE
EPLF AND THIS CONTACT COULD FACILITATE THE SOVIETS AT

SOME TIME ESTABLISHING A STRONG POSITION IN ERITREA.
THE GOF DOES NOT BELIEVE IT IS IN THE WESTERN INTEREST
TO LEAVE THE WAY COMPLETELY OPEN FOR THE SOVIETS AND
WILL THUS CONTINUE TO TALK WITH THE EPLF.

3. ZAIRE. JOURNIAC SAID THAT THE US AND FRANCE SHOULD
DO WHAT THEY CAN TO GET THE NEEDED FOREIGN EXPERTS IN
PLACE IN ZAIRE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THEY ARE NECESSARY
TO GET THE ZAIRE ECONOMY GOING WHICH IS IN TURN VITAL
TO STABILITY IN ZAIRE. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION
ABOUT FOREIGN WORKERS AT THE SHABA MINES, JOURNIAC
SAID THAT HE HAD RECENTLY MET WITH THE HEAD OF GECAMINES
WHO HAD TOLD HIM THAT DECISIONS CONCERNING THE
EXPATRIATES WOULD BE MADE SHORTLY, POSSIBLY WITHIN THE
NEXT TWO WEEKS. NOTICES WOULD GO TO THOSE WHOSE RETURN
TO ZAIRE IS DESIRED AS WELL AS TO THOSE WHOSE EMPLOY-
MENT IS BEING TERMINATED. NEW EXPATRIATE WORKERS WILL
BE FOUND TO REPLACE THOSE FIRED AND THE TOTAL NUMBER
WLL REMAIN AS IT WAS BEFORE SHABA.

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